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SUBJECT: UNCTAD-INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP ON CODE OF CONDUCT
TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY-MAY 5-16

1. PRINCIPAL TECHNOLOGY EXPORTER STATES OF GROUP B (US, UK, FRANCE, FRG, SWITZERLAND) HELD LUNCHEON TODAY TO REVIEW PLANS FOR REFERENCED MEETING. SIZE OF DELEGATION FROM THESE COUNTRIES RANGES FROM 3 TO 5 MEMBERS (FRG), INCLUDING IN CASE OF FRG INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES SERVING AS ADVISOR TO DELEGATION. RANK OF DELEGATIONS VARIED, WITH HIGHEST AT U.S. DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY LEVEL (CHIEF OF DEVELOPMENT SERVICE, COMMERCE DIVISION, SWISS FEDERAL DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ECONOMY, E. ROETHLISBERGER, WHO HAS REPLACED F. R. STAEHELIN). MAJORITY PLANNING TO MAKE PERMREP GENEVA CHIEF OF DEL SMALL GROUP TODAY DECIDED TO ASK WILLIAM MONTGOMERY, CANADA, TO SERVE AS GROUP B COORDINATOR FOR SESSION. MONTGOMERY IS A LAWYER AND HAS HAD
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EXPERIENCE IN THE NEGOTIATION IN UNCTAD OF THE CODE

OF CONDUCT ON LINER CONFERENCES AND CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES. HE IS HIGHLY REGARDED BY ALL WHO HAVE WORKED WITH HIM.

2. GROUP B OVERALL COORDINATOR (AUSTRALIAN MISSION) IS CURRENTLY PLANNING TO CALL ALL-DAY PRELIMINARY COORDINATION SESSION FRIDAY, MAY 2, TO REVIEW POSITIONS AND TACTICS. IT IS PARTICULARLY IMPORTANT THAT DELEGATES FROM CAPITALS ATTEND THIS PRELIMINARY MEETING SINCE THE PRINCIPAL DOCUMENT TO BE CONSIDERED (TD/B/C.6/AC.1/2/SUPP.1 - AN INTERNATIONAL CODE OF CONDUCT ON TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY, REPORT BY THE UNCTAD SECRETARIAT) WILL NOT BE ISSUED UNTIL APRIL 23 OR LATER AND, THUS, WILL NOT PERMIT ANY OTHER TIME FOR INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSULTATIONS OF UNCTAD PROPOSALS.

3. DEPARTMENT'S PARTICULAR ATTENTION CALLED TO DOC. TD/B/C.6/AC.1/2, AIRMAILED EB/CBA/BP APRIL 14, WHICH GIVES OUTLINE OF REFERENCED REPORT OF UNCTAD SECRETARIAT. OF PARTICULAR CONCERN IS PARA 13 CONCERNING "INTERNATIONAL MACHINERY" TO BE CREATED TO IMPLEMENT ANY CODE OF CONDUCT. PROPOSALS FOR FUNCTION OF SUCH MACHINERY RANGE FROM GATHERING INFORMATION, COORDINATING OF NATIONAL AND REGIONAL EFFORTS, GIVING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, SETTLING DISPUTES, AND, AS EXTREME PROPOSAL, ASSUMING "THE SAME FUNCTIONS THAT MIGHT OTHERWISE BE ATTRIBUTED TO NATIONAL INSTITUTIONS." MISSION AND OTHER GROUP B HERE EXTREMELY CONCERNED WITH AMBITIOUSNESS AND SCOPE OF PROPOSALS, ALBEIT ONLY NOW KNOWN IN OUTLINE FORM. HOWEVER, WHEN LINKED WITH PROPOSED EXPANSION OF TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY DIVISION STAFF AND FUNCTIONS AS PROPOSED IN UN PROGRAM BUDGET (DOC TD/B/L.399, SECTION 11 OF UN BUDGET), NOT DIFFICULT TO FORESEE RAPID EXPANDING BUREAUCRATIC EMPIRE IN UNCTAD IN THIS FIELD, ATTEMPTING TO UNSURP FUNCTIONS WIPO, CSTD, ECOSOC AND EVEN NATIONAL ADMINISTRATIONS. GROUP B, THEREFORE, IN NEXT WEEK'S WORKING PARTY ON UNCTAD'S PROGRAM BUDGET, PLANNING TO CONCENTRATE AS ONE OF ITS MAIN EFFORTS ON PAIRING DOWN PLANS FOR EXPANSION OF TRANSFER OF TECHNOLOGY DIVISION WHICH NOW FAR EXCEED ANYTHING LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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AUTHORIZED BY UNCTAD INTERGOVERNMENTAL BODIES. (URGENTLY NEED TO KNOW FOR BUDGET REVIEW WHERE UNCTAD EXPANSION PLANS OVERLAP FUNCTIONS OF OTHER UN SYSTEM AND NON-UN BODIES).

4. FOLLOWING ARE MEMBER STATES OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL GROUP: (GROUP 77) ALGERIA, IVORY COAST, EGYPT, KENYA, NIGERIA, SENEGAL, ZAIRE, INDIA, IRAQ, PAKISTAN,

PHILIPPINES, SAUDI ARABIA (OR INDONESIA), SRI LANKA,
YUGOSLAVIA, ARGENTINA, BRAZIL, CHILE, COLOMBIA, JAMAICA,
MEXICO, VENEZUELA; (GROUP B) AUSTRALIA, CANADA,
FINLAND, FRANCE, FRG, ITALY, JAPAN, NETHERLANDS,
NEW ZEALAND, SPAIN, SWEDEN, SWITZERLAND, TURKEY, UK,
USA; (GROUP D) BULGARIA, CZECHSLOVAKIA, DDR, POLAND,
RUMANIA, USSR; AND THE PRC. DALE

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